

Lecture: Citrus: Botany, Chemistry, History, and Future

Event Date:

Sat, Feb 18, 2017

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Not so long ago, citrus fruits were eaten only by the few and then only on special occasions. Now they are an important part of the healthy diet around the world. Join Todd as he traces the 6,000-year journey of citrus out of Asia with traders, explorers and conquerors. See how the fruit has changed our landscape and the way we live. Explore the fascinating chemistry of oranges and lemons and how their major aroma chemicals yet smell so different. Learn how recent studies of the genomes of wild and cultivated citrus have expanded the tools available to breeders to combat bacterial, and viral diseases that threaten production.

DATE: Saturday, February 18

TIME: 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

LOCATION: Conservatory Classroom

FREE: **This program is full**

